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For: DEVICE FOR RECOVERING MATERIAL TO  
BE MEASURED AND METHOD FOR  
RECOVERING MATERIAL TO BE  
MEASURED

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**LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Subsequent to the filing of the above-identified application on June 20, 2006, attached hereto is an English translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Forms PCT/IPEA/338 and PCT/IPEA/373) that should be made of record in the present application.

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